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SF 2192 - Transportation Omnibus (LSB 6723 SV)

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Description

Senate File 2192 provides several transportation-related policy changes to the Department of Transportation (DOT), including but not limited to the following:

- Eliminates the Code requirement that the Department conduct a Quadrennial Need Study of all State roadways every four years, with the exception of park and institutional roads. In lieu of the Quadrennial Need Study:
 - The Department will complete a final Quadrennial Need Study for county roads, and report the results to the General Assembly by July 1, 2002. The results of the Study will be utilized for secondary and farm-to-market road distribution fund formulas until a new distribution formula is adopted by the General Assembly.
 - The Department will continue to conduct a Need Study annually, to adjust county needs
 on roads whose jurisdiction has been transferred from the Department to the county or
 from the county to the Department.
 - The Department will continue to identify the needs of park and institutional roads every four years, for the purposes of allocating park and institutional road funds to State agencies.
 - An advisory committee will be established to evaluate alternative secondary and farmto-market road fund distribution formulas, and make recommendations to the General Assembly.
 - Funding from the secondary road fund will be dedicated to the County Engineers
 Association for the purpose of developing and administering a new distribution formula
 for secondary roads.

Assumptions

- 1. There are currently 1.4 full-time equivalent (FTE) positions required to conduct the Quadrennial Need Study and annual updates to the Study, at a cost of \$124,000.
- 2. Support expenditures for the Study, including printing, meetings, and travel costs, are currently \$5,000 annually.
- 3. Senate File 2192 proposes 0.05 FTE to conduct an annual update to the Quadrennial Need Study, in addition to identifying the needs of park and institutional roads every four years.
- 4. Senate File 2192 proposes support expenditures for the Study to be \$500 annually.

Fiscal Impact

The fiscal impact of Senate File 2192 is expected to result in a cost savings to the Primary Road Fund and Road Use Tax Fund of approximately \$123,000 annually.

Source

Department of Transportation

 /s/ Dennis C Prouty	
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